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*Stated Meeting, October 20, 1865.*

Present, twelve members.

Professor CRESSON, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Photographs of William D. Whitney and J. D. Whitney, members, were received.

Donations for the Library were received from the London Geographical and Geological Societies, Essex Institute, Philadelphia Academy of N. S., Henry C. Lea, the War Department at Washington, Messrs. Meek and Hayden, Rev. Albert Barnes, and C. M. Ellis, Esq.

The death of J. F. Encke, a member of the Society, at Spandau, Aug. 25th, 1865, aged 74, was announced by the Senior Secretary.

In consequence of the absence of all the members signing recommendations to membership, the election of members was postponed.

New nomination No. 542 was read.

On motion of Mr. Fraley the Secretaries and the Publication Committee were requested to report to the Finance Committee their liabilities for printing the Proceedings and Transactions, in order that appropriations may be made for paying the same.

And the Society was adjourned.

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*Stated Meeting, November 3, 1865.*

Present, twelve members.

Dr. WOOD, President, in the Chair.

Letters of envoi were received from the R. A. at Madrid, dated April 20th, and 28th, the R. Geog. S. London, July,

and the New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord, Oct. 27th, 1865.

Letters of acknowledgment were received from the N. H. S., Emden, August 1st, and the R. Asiatic S. London, June 22d, 1865.

Letters acknowledging the receipts of their Certificates of membership were received from Geo. J. Brush, New Haven, October 4th, Thos. C. Porter, Lancaster, October 19th, and R. I. Ingersoll, October 28th, 1865.

Donations for the Library were reported from the R. A. at Lisbon, the Geographical, Antiquarian, Asiatic, Chemical, and Early English Text Societies at London, the Dublin Quarterly Journal of Science, Astronomer Royal Airy, New Hampshire State Agricultural Society, New Hampshire Historical Society, Franklin Institute, Captain W. F. Goodwin, and the Superintendent of the Girard Estate, Mr. C. S. Smith.

Dr. Gross, pursuant to appointment, presented an obituary notice of the late member, Charles W. Short, the reading of which was postponed to the following meeting.

Mr. Chase communicated certain observations on the magnetic observations at Toronto and St. Helena.

Prof. Cresson called attention to an article in the New Hampshire Agricultural Reports, stating that boiling water, applied to growing onions, will arrest the ravages of a maggot which attacks that bulb, without injury to the bulb from the hot water.

Prof. Cresson described also the discovery of fish in the water of a coal mine, which had no communication with any running stream upon the surface, except by percolation through a great thickness of rocks.

Dr. Wood mentioned the discovery of a number of Indian implements upon Cohansey Creek in New Jersey, among which was a spindle-shaped stone, probably the roller or pestle of a quern, for grinding food. Prof. Trego described a similar pestle of greenstone trap from Bucks County. Mr. Briggs described the use of such rollers by the Pueblo Indians now.

Mr. Briggs described, during a conversational discussion of waters impregnated with carbonate of lime, a recent patent for preventing incrustations upon steam boilers.

The subject of solidifying coal dust for fuel was then discussed by a number of the members present.

Pending nominations 540, 541, 542 were read.

On motion it was ordered that the Proceedings and the Transactions from the commencement of vol. xiii be sent to the New Hampshire Historical Society.

And the Society was adjourned.

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*Stated Meeting, November 17, 1865.*

Present, fifteen members.

Dr. WOOD, President, in the Chair.

Prof. Porter was introduced to the presiding officer and took his seat.

A letter from Mr. Robert Patterson to the Librarian, respecting a donation of books from his father's library, was read.

Donations for the Library were received from the Russian Academy, and Observatory, the Austrian Geographical Society, and Geological Institute, the Berlin Geological and Botanical Societies, the Emden Natural Historical Society, the Frankfort Zoological Society, the Royal Academy at Madrid, the London Astronomical and Antiquarian Societies, the Montreal Natural Historical Society, Mr. Walling, of New York, the Franklin Institute, and the Board of Trade of Chicago.

Dr. Gross read an obituary notice of the late Dr. Short, of Louisville, Kentucky.

The death of Judge Wm. L. Storrs, of Connecticut, was